

## WILSON APPEALS FOR MONEY REFORM

Reads Message, Asking Action at Once—Declares Nation Needs Change Now.

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other relatives of Senators and Congressmen. The tickets had been limited to the actual seating capacity of the galleries and there was not the congested condition prevalent when the tariff message was read.

The House met at the usual hour, transacted routine business, and then took a recess until 12:30 o'clock. When in accordance with a concurrent resolution, the Senate was to appear in the chamber for a joint session.

Waiting the arrival of the President, who had announced he would not come to the Capitol until about 1 o'clock, Senators and Congressmen chatted, waved at friends above, or sat stolidly and waited. Some strong would be the President's demand for immediate action.

The atmosphere in the chamber was rather "stuffy," caused by the lack of fresh air to think gloomily of the long, hot days which are to come as they wrestle with the intricacies of the tariff and currency.

Reads Message Deliberately.

The President made each word of his message mean something. He spoke deliberately, clearly, frequently lifting his eyes from his manuscript as he read. The interest of every statesman present was at your service without reserve to play my part in any way you may call upon me to play it in the future.

The words "discredit us to neglect" were brought out with unusual emphasis in the even, resonant tones of the Chief Executive.

Arrival At Capitol.

President Wilson reached the House wing of the Capitol at 12:45 o'clock, and went immediately to the private office of Speaker Clark. Here he met by the joint committee, consisting of Senators Kern and Reed, and Congressmen Underwood, Fitzgerald, and Mann.

The President remained in session but a few moments, and then returned to the House chamber. As he entered the chamber, he was met by a group of Senators and Congressmen, and he was escorted to the House chamber.

As soon as Mr. Wilson left the chamber, the Speaker declared the joint session of the two bodies dissolved, and the Senators filed back to their offices in the Capitol. The House remained in session but a few moments, and then returned to the House chamber.

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## Led Successful Fight for Suffrage



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President of the Illinois Equal Suffrage Association.

part, is in accordance with the Baltimore platform of 1912. Mr. Bryan, however, makes no reference to earlier platform declarations of the party concerning such things as the retirement of existing banknote circulation, which the Glass bill fails to do.

Statement of Bryan.

The statement of the Secretary of State reads, in part, as follows: "I am glad to endorse most earnestly and unreservedly the currency bill which has been prepared by the chairman of the two Congressional committees, in conjunction with the President and Secretary McAdoo. It is a much better bill than I supposed it possible to secure at this time. Conflicting opinions, honestly entertained and strongly adhered to, have been reconciled with a success hardly to be expected. I have doubted until recently the wisdom of attempting currency legislation at this season, but my doubts were largely due to the fact that I feared the difficulties in the way would prevent an agreement upon a plan."

"The plan which the President now urges confers great advantages upon the banks, while it is to the benefit of the public. The notes are to be issued by the Government, and loaned to the regional reserve banks. This is in harmony with the Democratic contention. There is no surrender of the Government's right to issue money. The board of control is appointed by the President. Thus, the people, acting through the Government, are in entire control. This is necessary for the protection of the public interest, and the duties of this central board are so important that they could not, with justice to the public, be committed to men representing private interests."

Wilson to Stand Pat On Currency Measure

President Wilson is going to stand pat on the general principles of the Administration banking and currency bill. He made this plain today in his talks with newspaper men and other callers.

The bill which has been agreed on is to be known as the Administration bill. This the President made clear. He will not stick out for its passage without changes in detail. He is willing to have minor changes made and details modified. But he will not retreat so far as the general features of the measure are concerned.

One of the features he will insist on is Government control, as distinguished from banking control. The President does not believe the provisions for the Federal reserve board should be modified in their essential requirements. He feels that there is not adequate reason why the banks should be represented on the Federal reserve board.

Bankers Dislike Board.

Although not specifically discussed by the President in his message, the provision regarding the composition of the Federal reserve board is the one arousing most criticism from the banking community of the country, in that it is looked upon as placing into the hands of the President of the United States a power capable of being seriously abused for political purposes. At the same time the President is not averse to a strong, independent board, with him they are essential in representing a choice as between control by the Federal Government and control by the banking interests.

In his statement last night Mr. Bryan admitted that up until recently he was not disposed to favor currency legislation at this time, believing that it was impossible without further study to prepare an acceptable measure at this time. Nevertheless, it is thought that the change in the bill at the eleventh hour, giving the President absolute control of the proposed Federal reserve board, was responsible for Mr. Bryan's sudden enthusiasm.

As it stands, Mr. Bryan is of the opinion, according to his statement, that the bill is much better than he thought it possible to procure at this time. From the standpoint of the banks, Mr. Bryan declared, the measure should be readily acceptable because it furnishes currency that can be secured in time of need without having to put up bonds as security. On the other hand, he asserted, it preserves to the people, acting through the Government, all that is essential for the protection of the public.

Fulfillment of Promise.

"The bill," he said, "is a faithful fulfillment of the promise made in the Baltimore platform. I feel sure that the Democrats of the Senate and House will rally to the support of the bill, and I am sanguine enough to believe that it will receive a cordial support from Republicans as well."

Mr. Bryan asserts that the Wilson-Glass currency bill, in the shaping of which he is understood to have had a

## CHANCE MASONIC SIGN SAVED LIFE

Wounded at Gettysburg, Howies' Accidental Gesture Brought Help From Comrade

TACOMA, Wash., June 22.—That J. L. Howie is not resting under the white headstones at Gettysburg Cemetery today, a dead instead of a living hero, is due to a strange accident. While badly wounded during retreat on the second day of the battle, Mr. Howie accidentally made a Masonic sign, although he was not a member of the order. A fleeing comrade saw it and helped him to safety at risk of his own life.

I was one of three Scotch boys from a settlement in Pennsylvania, who served together during the war, said Mr. Howie. All were wounded several times in the conflict. I was a member of Company K, 1st Pennsylvania. On Monday, July 1, 1863, we reached Taneytown, Md., and were ordered to Gettysburg, and heard the booming of cannon. It was announced we would go no further that time, but we had been told of Government grub and a few of us decided to go on a little foraging expedition. We started well and reloaded away somewhat longer than we had expected. When we returned, the troops had moved on. Only one man remained, who had been left in charge of our guns and told to wait for us. We hustled after the army with Gilbert Corwin, a Scotch boy who had been almost dead when we left him. He was a gruff, rough-speaking man, and as I had been brought up in the strict Presbyterian way, I did not like him.

Wounded, He Started Back.

"It was after dark when we finally caught up with the troops. We lay close to Gettysburg that night, and the next morning General Sickles ordered a march toward the Peach Orchard, a mossy spot in Gettysburg history. We lay there until the afternoon, the only news being brought to us by our pickets. They came back reporting that the enemy's pickets had attacked them. It was about 3 o'clock when the Confederates made a charge on our battery. With bayonets fixed they rushed toward our guns, while we lay back among the trees until they were almost upon us. Then we jumped up with a shout and poured lead into them. The skirmish was comparatively brief and they retreated.

General Sickles rode up and ordered us to face to the right, where there was a large wheat field, but they rose every-where among the grain and we got it then. I was hit in the hip at almost the first volley. Only one of the other Scotch boys was in the regiment at that time, and he was also plugged when Longstreet made his charge from the wheat field.

"Knowing I was so wounded I could be of no further use, I started back. With a whole line retreated under Longstreet's charge. The Union army has been criticised for its part in this clash, but it was a desperate and unexpected assault. Run as well as I could with my hurt hip, the whole regiment, with the colors, went past me. I was dazed and reeling.

"Among the last to come was 'Gib' Corwin. He passed me, looking at me suddenly and called out to where I was staggering. He cut my belt and made it easier for me. Then he started to help me up, but I said I was not wanted to risk his own life for mine? He replied 'Good God, do you think I'd leave you here?'

Gave Sign By Accident.

"I asked Corwin later why he had stopped to help me, and he said he thought he saw me give a Masonic signal. Owing to some lucky accident in my motions as I tried to run with the bullet in my hip I must have made what seemed to 'Gib' like a Masonic sign.

The next day I was put into my proper corps hospital, and was in a tent near a river bank when the heavy rain fell the night of June 3. I was soaked with the rain that came down the hillside in torrents, and there I lay until the morning of June 4, when I was carried to a dry place. He nursed me through most of my sickness, and to the day when he died, and thought of me harshly at first because of his rough vulgar speech I owed the most careful treatment.

"I promised to 'Gib' Corwin should he ever be in danger, but the most I could do for him was to hunt his grave a few months later when he was killed and buried in a shallow trench by Confederates. With several companions I reburied him in a decent grave. That was all the help I could be to him."

Many Fail to Hear Wilson Read Message

The curious public had little show at the Capitol today, and the average person who wanted to see a President read his message to Congress had a cold reception. In advance of the President's appearance, there was a crush for tickets of admission to the House galleries. Tickets of admission, however, had been limited to the actual seating capacity of the galleries, and certain members with large families had to "draw straws" to see which relative might attend.

One ticket each was given the Senators and Congressmen and persons holding these, together with those in the diplomatic and executive galleries, occupied every foot of room. The tourist and ordinary taxpayer remained on the outside, and could not obtain admission even to the Capitol while the ceremonies were in progress.

It was the second time in more than a hundred years that a President personally delivered his "communication" to Congress, and the interest in today's program was almost as great as that when Mr. Wilson first broke the precedent and read his tariff message in person.

## TWENTY EXECUTED FOR KILLING PASHA

Only Two Shot Turkish Vizier, But Others Were Convicted of Conspiracy Charge.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 22.—Twenty men were executed today in rapid succession for the assassination, two weeks ago, of Mahmud Shevket Pasha, grand vizier of Turkey.

Witnesses to the killing of the grand vizier said that two men fired the shots at Mahmud Shevket Pasha and Ibrahim Bey, his aide, who also was killed, but the police and soldiers made wholesale arrests for conspiracy, and the twenty men executed were charged with being ringleaders.

They were tried by court-martial and convicted yesterday.

Finds Can of Old Coins.

CLAYTON, Ind., June 22.—Ed War-mouth when making excavations for a concrete walk in the rear of the new residence of Mrs. Matilda Duncan in Hazelwood dug up a rusted tin can which was found to contain \$8 in silver money. The coins were of the denominations of 10 cents, 25 cents, 12 cents, dimes, and half-dimes. There was one Spanish coin the size of a half-dollar, dated 1774.

Urge Michigan Patronage.

President Wilson got another taste of the Michigan patronage fight today when Gov. Woodbridge Ferris, an "organization Democrat," called to talk over conditions. Congressman Dure-mus, a member of the "Wilson faction," also called to urge the President to stick by the party in Michigan appointments.

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## Mr. Taft Is Caddy For Misses Wilson; Girls Like Game, Too

The Misses Wilson, who are becoming excellent golf players, have been having the times of their life at the Washington Country Club course recently, and the fact that their favorite caddy is young Mr. Taft from Cherrydale, Va., has added much to the fun.

Mr. Taft is a very small and youthful person for such a responsible position, and seems to realize fully his importance.

When asked a few questions today he showed that he has the makings of a great man, for he was more than discreet in talking for publication, and no amount of expert questioning would make him express his opinion as to the ability of the Misses Wilson to play golf, or anything else about them. He just looked seriously and solemnly into the eyes of the questioner and refused to commit himself. He is a mighty good caddy though, it is said.

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## WHAT IS FATNESS? QUERY FOR COURT

Heavy Women and Lean Ones, Too, Scheduled to Appear at Obesity Trial.

DENVER, Col., June 22.—That the accusing finger of William Harding, first husband of Marjorie Hamilton Cunningham, would confront her in the Federal court, was stated today when the legal battle of the "fats" and "leans" began. Harding will testify that his former wife, the Chicago beauty and "calendar girl," never was "fat."

Mrs. Cunningham and her husband, Walter C. Cunningham, are to be tried on the charge of using the mails to defraud. They are accused of advertising an obesity cure. Harding is a witness for the Government. With him will be a score of women whose combined weight will be tonnage, and who may they were not handled by the Cunningham anti-fat cure. Arranged against them will be scores of lean, willowy women, who will testify that they are able to wear the latest vogue in gowns, having taken the Cunningham obesity cure.

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